

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 55, 56 and 63, without prejudice, please amend Claims 41, 42, 43, 44, 48, 49, 50, 51, 53, and 54, and please add new Claims 64-66, as provided in the following Listing of Claims:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-40. (Canceled)

Claim 41. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented method, comprising:

~~entering or receiving~~ storing information regarding a ticket request or a ticket option request for at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event, wherein the ticket for a portion of the event or the ticket option for a portion of the event is derived from a ticket for an entire event, wherein the event is at least one of a game, an athletic event, a competition, a

performance, a concert, and a tournament, and further wherein the event is an event which takes place at or in at least one of a stadium, an arena, a theatre, a movie theatre, a concert hall, a museum, and a performance hall, and further wherein the ticket for the entire event corresponds to a seat or seats at the at least one of a stadium, an arena, a theatre, a movie theatre, a concert hall, a museum, and a performance hall, for the event, wherein the ticket for the entire event is purchased from a ticket issuer by a first individual having a ticket account, and further wherein the ticket for a portion of the event or the ticket option for a portion of the event is purchased by or used by a second individual during the event and before the completion or the conclusion of the event with a payment for a purchase or a use of the ticket for a portion of the event, or a payment for a purchase or a use of the ticket option for a portion of the event, being made to the ticket account of the first individual;

receiving and storing information regarding an available ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event either prior to a start or a completion or a conclusion of the event or when the first individual or a third individual is leaving a venue of the event or leaving

the event during the event and prior to a completion or a conclusion of the event, wherein the information regarding an available ticket for a portion of an event is transmitted from a first communication device and is received by a receiver;

processing the information regarding a ticket request or a ticket option request for at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event with a processing device, wherein the processing device processes the information regarding a ticket request or a ticket option request using the information regarding an available ticket;

generating at least one of a ticket availability message and a ticket option availability message ~~with the processing device~~, wherein the at least one of a ticket availability message and a ticket option availability message contains information regarding at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a

start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event, wherein the at least one of a ticket availability message and a ticket option availability message is generated before a completion or a conclusion of the event; and

transmitting the at least one of a ticket availability message and a ticket option availability message to a second communication device associated with or used by the second individual or a ~~third~~ fourth individual, wherein the at least one of a ticket availability message and a ticket option availability message is transmitted to the second communication device before a completion or a conclusion of the event.

Claim 42. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, further comprising:

receiving a response to the at least one of a ticket availability message and a ticket option availability message, wherein the response is transmitted from the second communication device; and

processing a transaction regarding a purchase of the

at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event.

Claim 43. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method of Claim 42, further comprising:

transmitting information regarding the at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event to the second communication device; and

at least one of printing via a printer the at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and displaying via a display device information regarding the at least one of a

ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event.

Claim 44. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method of Claim 42, further comprising:

at least one of effectuating a payment to the ticket account and effectuating a withdrawal from an account associated with the second individual or the ~~third~~ fourth individual.

Claim 45. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, wherein the at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event is a ticket.

Claim 46. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, wherein the at least one of a

ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event is a ticket option.

Claim 47. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, wherein the at least one of a ticket availability message and a ticket option availability message is transmitted via, on, or over, at least one of the Internet and the World Wide Web.

Claim 48. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, wherein the first communication device or the second communication device is a wireless device or a wireless telephone.

Claim 49. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, wherein the first communication device or the second communication device is a personal digital assistant.

Claim 50. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, wherein the first

communication device or the second communication device is a kiosk or an automated teller machine.

Claim 51. (Withdrawn and Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, further comprising:

generating a notification message containing information regarding a purchase of at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event; and

transmitting the notification message to the first communication device or to a third communication device associated with a seller of the ticket or the ticket option.

Claim 52. (Canceled)

Claim 53. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, wherein the second individual or the ~~third~~ fourth individual is located at the event or at a venue of the event.

Claim 54. (Withdrawn and Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, further comprising:

~~entering or receiving~~ storing information regarding an available buyer for the ticket or the ticket option;

processing the information regarding an available buyer for the ticket or the ticket option ~~with the processing device~~;

generating a buyer availability message containing information that an available buyer exists for a ticket or a ticket option; and

transmitting the buyer availability message to the first communication device or to a third communication device associated with a ticket holder or a ticket seller or used by a ticket holder or a ticket seller.

Claims 55-56. (Canceled)

Claim 57. (Withdrawn) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, further comprising:

processing information regarding an auction of, or a bidding for, a ticket or a ticket option which is identified in the at least one of a ticket availability message and a ticket option availability message.

Claims 58-59. (Canceled)

Claim 60. (Withdrawn) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, further comprising:

generating a second ticket availability message, wherein the second ticket availability message contains information regarding a ticket or a ticket option available for sale or resale prior to a start of the event or a second event;

transmitting the second ticket availability message to the communication device associated with an individual or used by an individual;

receiving an offer to purchase the ticket or the ticket option; and

processing information regarding a sale or a resale of the ticket or the ticket option.

Claim 61. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, wherein the event is at least one of a game, an athletic event, a competition, and a tournament, and further wherein the event takes place at or in a stadium or an arena, and further wherein the ticket corresponds to a seat at or in the stadium or the arena.

Claim 62. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, wherein the event is a performance or a concert, and further wherein the event takes place at or in at least one of a stadium, an arena, a theatre, a movie theatre, a concert hall, a museum, and a performance hall, and further wherein the ticket corresponds to a seat at the at least one of a stadium, an arena, a theatre, a movie theatre, a concert hall, a museum, and a performance hall.

Claim 63. (Canceled)

Claim 64. (New) The computer-implemented method of Claim 41, wherein the first communication device or the second communication device is an interactive television.

Claim 65. (New) A computer-implemented method,
comprising:

storing information regarding a ticket request or a ticket option request for at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event, wherein the ticket for a portion of the event or the ticket option for a portion of the event is derived from a ticket for an entire event, wherein the event is at least one of a game, an athletic event, a competition, a performance, a concert, and a tournament, and further wherein the event is an event which takes place at or in at least one of a stadium, an arena, a theatre, a movie theatre, a concert hall, a museum, and a performance hall, and further wherein the ticket for the entire event corresponds to a seat or seats at the at least one of a stadium, an arena, a theatre, a movie theatre, a concert hall, a museum, and a performance hall, for the event, wherein the ticket for the entire event is purchased from a ticket issuer by a first individual having a ticket account, and further wherein the ticket for a portion of the event or the ticket option for a portion of the event is purchased by

or used by a second individual during the event and before the completion or the conclusion of the event with a payment for a purchase or a use of the ticket for a portion of the event, or a payment for a purchase or a use of the ticket option for a portion of the event, being made to the ticket account of the first individual;

receiving and storing information regarding an available ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event when the first individual or a third individual is leaving a venue of the event or leaving the event during the event and prior to a completion or a conclusion of the event, wherein the information regarding an available ticket for a portion of an event is transmitted from a first communication device and is received by a receiver;

processing the information regarding a ticket request or a ticket option request for at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event with a processing device, wherein the processing

device processes the information regarding a ticket request or a ticket option request using the information regarding an available ticket;

generating at least one of a ticket availability message and a ticket option availability message, wherein the at least one of a ticket availability message and a ticket option availability message contains information regarding at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event, wherein the at least one of a ticket availability message and a ticket option availability message is generated before a completion or a conclusion of the event; and

transmitting the at least one of a ticket availability message and a ticket option availability message to a second communication device associated with or used by the second individual or a fourth individual, wherein the at least one of a ticket availability message and a ticket option availability message is transmitted to the communication device before a completion or a conclusion of the event.

Claim 66. (New) The computer-implemented method of Claim 65, further comprising:

receiving a response to the at least one of a ticket availability message and a ticket option availability message, wherein the response is transmitted from the second communication device;

processing a transaction regarding a purchase of the at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event;

transmitting information regarding the at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event to the second communication device; and

at least one of printing via a printer the at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and displaying via a display device information regarding the at least one of a ticket for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event and a ticket option for a portion of an event which remains after a start of the event and before a completion or a conclusion of the event.